GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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DRIP IRRIGATION SCHEME
HARIBHAI PARTHIBHAI CHAUDHARY

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) funds allocated under drip irrigation scheme to Gujarat during the last three years;

(b) whether the State Government have sought hike in the said allocation;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any report on utilization of funds has been sought from the State Government;

(e) whether the State Government have informed the Central Government regarding drought prevailingin Mehsana and Banaskantha; and

(f) funds allocated to the State Government for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Funds earmarked for drip irrigation in the Work Plan of Government of Gujarat under the CentrallySponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture − Supplementation/Complementation of StateEfforts through Work Plan during the last three years is as follows:-

Year	Amount (Rs. In lakh)
2000-01	252.00
2001-02	315.00
2002-03	340.00

(b)&(c): No, Sir. As per the Macro Management Scheme, the State Government has the freedom totake up the programmes according to the felt needs and requirement of the State through the Work Plans.

(d): Yes, Sir. It is mandatory for the State Government to furnish the Utilization Certificate for funds released.

(e): In December 2002, the Government of Gujarat declared 13 districts of the State as drought affectedwhich included Banaskantha district also.

(f): The entire Central Share of Calamity Relief Fund for the year 2002-03 amounting to Rs.133.46crores have been released to the State Government.